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Docket No. 1293.1890

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Sung-hee HWANG et al.

Serial No. 10/630,735

Group Art Unit: 2627

Confirmation No. 2655

Filed: July 31, 2003

Examiner: Nabil Z. Hindi

For: INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM AND METHOD OF RECORDING INFORMATION  
THEREON

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 17, 2006, having a shortened period for response set to expire on August 17, 2006, the following remarks are provided.

**I. Provisional Election of Claims Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.142**

Applicants provisionally elect Species 1, which is shown in FIG. 2, in response to the preliminary election requirement set forth in the Office Action. It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9-12, 24-26, 28, 31-34, 44, 48, 52, 54, 55, 59, 63, 64-65, 69-71, 86-88, and 108-110 are included in at least Species 1.

Moreover, the Examiner asserts on page 2 of the Office Action that that no claims are considered generic. However, it is respectfully submitted that at least claims 1, 24, and 44 are generic to claims 5, 8, 27, 29, 53, 66-68, and 83-85 of Species 3 since claims 5, 8, 27, 29, 53, 66-68, and 83-85 correspondingly depend from elected claims 1, 24, and 44. Additionally, it is respectfully submitted that at least claims 44 and 55 are generic to claims 47 and 58 of Species 5 since claims 47 and 58 correspondingly depend from elected claims 44 and 58. As such, it is respectfully submitted that at least these claims are generic between species.